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1. Transmittal Letter (1 page);
2. An Amendment D (17 pages).

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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/443,712 for METHODS AND
SYSTEMS FOR COMMUNICATING SIGNALING SYSTEM 7 (SS7) USER
PART MESSAGES AMONG SS7 SIGNALING POINTS (SPs) AND
INTERNET PROTOCOL (IP) NODES USING SIGNAL TRANSFER
POINTS (STPs)
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Sir:

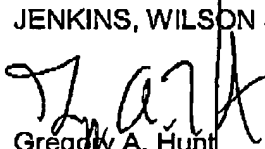
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1. An Amendment D (17 pages).

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AMENDMENT D

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Sir:

This is responsive to the Official Action dated September 21, 2005, having a term that will expire on December 21, 2005. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.